

# Recycling Progress Report

## December 2014

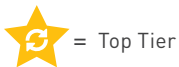
This monthly progress report is brought to you by the Refresh Recycling pilot program. As part of this program, you can track how much your building has recycled each month, get tips on how to recycle more to improve your stats, and compare your building to others in the area. Let's work together as a community to recycle more.

This month, residents of Bellevue Towers earn a:



### Gold Recycling Star!

You are ahead of the pack when it comes to reducing your environmental footprint and conserving resources through recycling. Keep it up!



= Top Tier



= Middle Tier



= Bottom Tier

Last month your building recycled:

**32,550 lbs** of recyclable materials

which saved enough energy to power



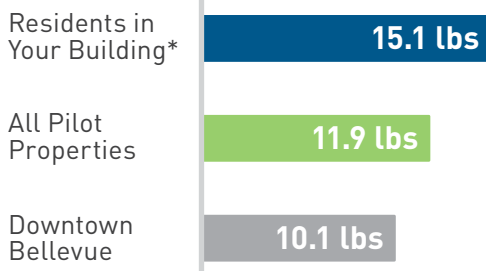
1 15W COMPACT FLUORESCENT  
LIGHT BULB

NONSTOP  
FOR

**550 YEARS**

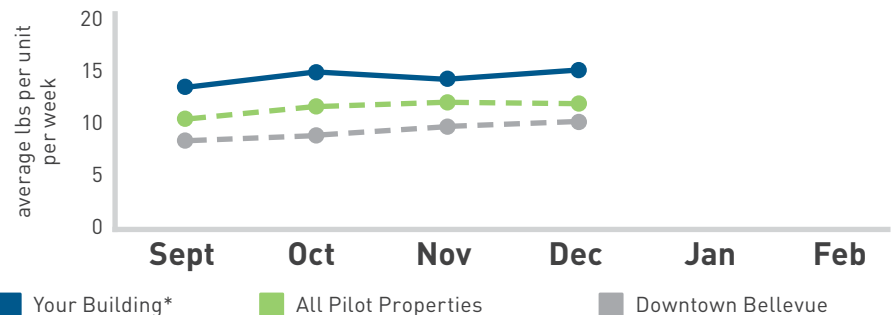
RECYCLING REQUIRES LESS ENERGY THAN USING RAW MATERIALS

How your weekly recycling compares to your neighbors:



### Recycling History

During the duration of the pilot program (September 2014 - February 2015)



\*Average lbs per unit per week

## ARE YOU RECYCLING ALL EMPTY PLASTIC BOTTLES?



Chances are, probably not. Just 3 out of every 10 plastic bottles get recycled.\* Plastic bottles of all sizes, shapes, and colors can be recycled – whether they contained water, soda, juice, milk, detergent, household cleaners, personal care products. Simply empty, give them a quick rinse, and recycle.

Plastic bottles are recycled into new bottles or turned into other plastic products such as pipes, lumber, decking, pallets, buckets, and crates. Recycling one single plastic bottle conserves enough energy to power a television long enough to watch your favorite show.

\*Source: Association of Postconsumer Plastics Recyclers, 2012 United States National Postconsumer Plastics Bottle Recycling Report.

Learn more about recycling at [www.bellevuewa.gov/recycling-garbage-residents.htm](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/recycling-garbage-residents.htm)